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Released: November 25, 1998. TARIFF TRANSMITTAL PUBLIC REFERENCE LOG - NOVEMBER 24. Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Common Carrier/Public Notices/Tariffs/combined/tt112498.pdf

Report No: N-95-A. Released: November 25, 1998. COMMON CARRIER NETWORK SERVICES APPLICATIONS GRANTED UNDER RULES PART 68.

Released: November 25, 1998. COMMON CARRIER BUREAU TO HOLD THREE WORKSHOPS ON INPUT VALUES TO BE USED TO ESTIMATE FORWARD-LOOKING ECONOMIC COSTS FOR PURPOSES OF UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT - CC DOCKET NOS. 96-45, 97-160. Workshops December 1, 10, and 11. (DA No. 98-2406). Contact: Katie King, Accounting Policy Division at (202) 418-7400. Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Common Carrier/Public Notices/1998/da982406.wp

Released: November 25, 1998. FINAL ACTS OF THE 1998 ITU PLENIPOTENITARY CONFERENCE AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW. Contact: William A. Luther, Satellite and Radiocommunication Division at (202) 418-0729. Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/International/Public Notices/1998/pnin8273.wp

Report No: IN 98-63. Released: November 25, 1998. INTERNATIONAL ACTION - WRC-2000 ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETINGS OF INFORMAL WORKING GROUPS. Contact: Nancy Wiley, Planning and Negotiation Division at (202) 418-2213. Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/International/Public Notices/1998/pnin8272.txt

Report No: 44375A. Released: November 25, 1998. BROADCAST APPLICATIONS. Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass Media/Public Notices/Brdcst Applications/pnmm8169.txt

Report No: D-1014-A. Released: November 25, 1998. MASS MEDIA BUREAU MULTIPOINT DISTRIBUTION SERVICE APPLICATIONS ACTIONS.

Report No: D-1014. Released: November 25, 1998. MASS MEDIA BUREAU MULTIPOINT DISTRIBUTION SERVICE APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED FOR FILING. Internet URL:

https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass Media/Public Notices/MDS Notices/md981125.pdf

TEXTS	

TIME WARNER CABLE. Approved the refund plan Time Warner Cable filed for Fairhaven, MA. Action by Acting Chief, Financial Analysis and Compliance Division. Adopted: November 20, 1998. (DA No. 98-2378). CSB Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Cable/Orders/1998/da982378.wp

TIME WARNER CABLE. Denied a complaint filed against the cable programming services tier rate charged by Time Warner in Union, OH. Action by Acting Chief, Financial Analysis and Compliance Division. Adopted: November 18, 1998. by Order. (DA No. 98-2358). CSB Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Cable/Orders/1998/da982358.wp

TIME WARNER CABLE. Approved the refund plan Time Warner Cable filed for Medfield, MA. Action by Acting Chief, Financial Analysis and Compliance Division. Adopted: November 20, 1998. by Order. (DA No. 98-2374). CSB Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Cable/Orders/1998/da982374.wp

TIME WARNER CABLE. Approved the refund plan Time Warner Cable filed for Norfolk, MA. Action by Acting Chief, Financial Analysis and Compliance Division. Adopted: November 20, 1998. by Order. (DA No. 98-2375). CSB Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Cable/Orders/1998/da982375.wp

TIME WARNER CABLE. Approved the refund plan Time Warner Cable filed for Staten Island, NY. Action by Acting Chief, Financial Analysis and Compliance Division. Adopted: November 20, 1998. by Order. (DA No. 98-2376). CSB Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Cable/Orders/1998/da982376.wp

TIME WARNER CABLE. Approved the refund plan Time Warner Cable filed for Lynn, MA. Action by Acting Chief, Financial Analysis and Compliance Division. Adopted: November 20, 1998. by Order. (DA No. 98-2377). CSB Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Cable/Orders/1998/da982377.wp

FALCON CABLEVISION. Approved the refund plan Falcon Cablevision filed for Cedartown, GA. Action by Acting Chief, Financial Analysis and Compliance Division. Adopted: November 20, 1998. by Order. (DA No. 98-2383). CSB Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Cable/Orders/1998/da982383.wp

HERITAGE CABLEVISION, INC. D/B/A TCI OF CENTRAL IOWA. Granted the Petition for Stay of Local Rate Order filed by Heritage Cablevision in the City of West Des Moines, IA. Action by Associate Bureau Chief. Adopted: November 23, 1998. by Order. (DA No. 98-2390). CSB Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Cable/Orders/1998/da982390.wp

HERITAGE CABLEVISION, INC. D/B/A TCI OF CENTRAL IOWA. Granted the Petition for Stay of Local Rate Order filed by Heritage Cablevision in the City of Des Moines, IA. Action by Associate Bureau Chief. Adopted: November 23, 1998. by Order. (DA No. 98-2391). CSB Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Cable/Orders/1998/da982391.wp

HERITAGE CABLEVISION, INC. D/B/A TCI OF CENTRAL IOWA. Granted the Request for Emergency Stay of Local Rate Order filed by Heritage Cablevision, Inc. d/b/a TCI of Central Iowa in Urbandale, IA. Action by Associate Bureau Chief. Adopted: November 23, 1998. by Order. (DA No. 98-2392). CSB Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Cable/Orders/1998/da982392.wp

COMCAST CABLEVISION. Approved the refund plan Comcast Cablevision filed for Signal Mountain, TN. Action by Acting Chief, Financial Analysis and Compliance Division. Adopted: November 20, 1998. by Order. (DA No. 98-2379). CSB Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Cable/Orders/1998/da982379.wp

COMCAST SCH HOLDINGS, INC. Approved the refund plan Comcast SCH Holdings, Inc. filed for Superior, CO. Action by Acting Chief, Financial Analysis and Compliance Division. Adopted: November 20, 1998. by Order. (DA No. 98-2380). CSB Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Cable/Orders/1998/da982380.wp

COMCAST SCH HOLDINGS, INC. Approved the refund plan Comcast SCH Holdings, Inc. filed for Lafayette, CO. Action by Acting Chief, Financial Analysis and Compliance Division. Adopted: November 20, 1998. by Order. (DA No. 98-2381). CSB Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Cable/Orders/1998/da982381.wp

ADELPHIA CABLE COMMUNICATIONS. Approved the refund plan Adelphia Cable Communications filed for Lynchburg, VA. Action by Acting Chief, Financial Analysis and Compliance Division. Adopted: November

20, 1998. by Order. (DA No. 98-2382). CSB Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Cable/Orders/1998/da982382.wp

TIME WARNER CABLE CINCINNATI DIVISION. Denied a complaint filed against the cable programming services tier rate charged by Time Warner Cable Cincinnati Division in the Village of Woodlawn, OH. Action by Acting Chief, Financial Analysis and Compliance Division. Adopted: November 20, 1998. by Order. (DA No. 98-2388). CSB Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Cable/Orders/1998/da982388.wp

TIME WARNER CABLE D/B/A SOUTHWESTERN CABLE TV. Denied a complaint filed against the cable programming services tier rate charged by Time Warner Cable d/b/a Southwestern Cable TV in the County of San Diego, CA. Action by Acting Chief, Financial Analysis and Compliance Division. Adopted: November 20, 1998. by Order. (DA No. 98-2389). CSB Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Cable/Orders/1998/da982389.wp

**IMPLEMENTATION OF SECTION 25 OF THE CABLE TELEVISION CONSUMER PROTECTION AND COMPETITION ACT OF 1992 - DIRECT BROADCAST SATELLITE PUBLIC INTEREST OBLIGATIONS. Implemented Section 25 of the Cable Television Consumer Protection and Competition Act of 1992 as codified at Section 335 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended regarding public interest obligations on direct broadcast satellite (DBS) providers. The public interest obligations the Commission adopted further a Congressional mandate and are designed to expand programming choices for consumers in all areas of the United States. Dkt No.: MM- 93-25. Action by the Commission. Adopted: November 19, 1998. by R&O. (FCC No. 98-307). CSB Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass-Media/Orders/1998/fcc98307.wp

1998 BIENNIAL REGULATORY REVIEW - STREAMLINING OF MASS MEDIA APPLICATIONS, RULES, AND PROCESSES - POLICIES AND RULES REGARDING MINORITY FEMALE OWNERSHIP OF MASS MEDIA FACILITIES. Made fundamental changes in FCC broadcast application and licensing procedures, providing for electronic filing, streamlining application forms, revising construction requirements and ownership reports, among other things. Dkt No.: MM- 98-43, MM- 94-149. Action by the Commission. Adopted: October 22, 1998. by R&O. (FCC No. 98-281). MMB Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass Media/Orders/1998/fcc98281.pdf

ALLOCATION OF SPECTRUM BELOW 5 GHZ TRANSFERRED FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT USE. Granted in part and otherwise denied a petition for reconsideration of the Second Report and Order filed on September 8, 1995 by the Wireless Cable Association International (WCAI). Denied WCAI's request that all General Wireless Communications Service (GWCS) licenses be permitted to partition their service areas because the FCC intends to address this issue in another proceeding. Amended the Commission's Rules for GWCS to ensure consistency with current antenna structure marking and lighting requirements for other communciations services. Denied a request made by WCAI to license GWCS in Basic Trading Areas rather than Economic Areas. Denied in part and dismissed in part a petition for reconsideration of the First Report and Order filed on April 6, 1995 by the Association for Maximum Service Television, Inc. (MSTV) and several other organizations and a petition for reconsideration of the Second Report and Order filed on September 8,1995, by MSTV concerning the Commission's statutory authority with regards to GWCS. Consistent with the recently adopted Part 1 proceeding, decided to determine in a separate rulemaking whether Part 1 rules will aply to GWCS. Decided to delegate to the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau the authority to determine the specific GWCS competitive bidding mechanisms and other procedures. Dkt No.: ET- 94-32. Action by the Commission. Adopted: August 26, 1998. by MO&O. (FCC No. 98-212). OET Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Engineering Technology/Orders/1998/fcc98212.wp

ADDENDA: The following items, released November 24, 1998, did not appear in Digest No. 226	NDA: The following items, released November 24, 1998, did not appear in Digest No. 226:
NEWS RELEASES	NEWS RELEASES

STATEMENT OF FCC CHAIRMAN WILIAM E. KENNARD ON THE INTERNATIONAL BUREAU'S ACTIONS CONCERNING ACCOUNTING RATES ON THE UNITED STATES/MEXICO ROUTE AND POTENTIAL VIOLATIONS OF TELMEX/SPRINT COMMUNICATIONS' AUTHORIZATION TO SERVE MEXICO. Kennard. Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Speeches/Kennard/Statements/stwek887.html

INTERNATIONAL ACTION - INTERNATIONAL BUREAU ACTS ON SPRINT'S INTERNATIONAL SETTLEMENT RATE MODIFICATION REQUEST FOR MEXICO - REPORT NO. IN 98-61. The International Bureau acted on a request filed by Sprint Communications, L.P. for modification of the settlement rate for international swtiched voice service with Telefonos de Mexico, S.A. de C.V. for U.S.-Mexico traffic.. News Media Contact: Rosemary Kimball (202) 418-0500. IB Contact: Peter Pappas at (202) 418-0746 and Diane Cornell at (202) 418-1470. Internet URL:

https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/International/News Releases/1998/nrin8039.wp

INTERNATIONAL ACTION - INTERNATIONAL BUREAU DIRECTS TELMEX-SPRINT COMMUNICATIONS TO SHOW CAUSE WHY BUREAU SHOULD NOT FIND VIOLATION OF SECTION 214 AUTHORIZATION - REPORT NO. IN 98-62. The International Bureau directed Telmex/Sprint Communications to show cause within 30 days why the Bureau should not find that TSC and its affiliate, Telefonos de Mexico, have failed to satisfy the requirements of TSC's Section 214 authorization. News Media Contact: Rosemary Kimball (202) 418-0500. IB Contact: Peter Pappas at (202) 418-0746 and Diane Cornell at 9202) 418-1470. Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/International/News Releases/1998/nrin8040.wp

MASS MEDIA ACTION - MASS MEDIA BUREAU RELEASES REPORT ON THE EFFECT OF PREEMPTION ON CHILDREN'S EDUCATIONAL AND INFORMAITONAL PROGRAMMING, 1997-1998 TELEVISION SEASON - REPORT NO. MM 98-19. The FCC released a report concerning the effect of preemption on children's "core" programming, i.e., programming specifically designed to serve the educational needs of children during the 1997-1998 television season. News Media Contact: David Fiske (202) 418-0500. MMB Contact: Thomas Tanasovich at 9202) 418-2120 and Laura Gallo at (202) 418-1600.

PUBLIC NOTICES

Released: November 24, 1998. FCC ANNOUNCES THE NEXT MEETING OF THE NORTH AMERICAN NUMBERING COUNCIL (CC DOCKET NO 92-237). Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, December 16 and Thursday, December 17. (DA No. 98-2395). Contact: Linda Simms, Administrative Assistant of the NANC at (202) 418-2330 or Jeannie Grimes at (202) 418-2313; TTY: (202) 418-0484.

Released: November 24, 1998. EX PARTE PRESENTATIONS AND POST-REPLY COMMENT PERIOD FILINGS IN PERMIT-BUT-DISCLOSE PROCEEDINGS. Contact: Barbara Lowe, Office of the Secretary at (202) 418-0310. Internet URL:

https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Miscellaneous/Public Notices/Exparte/1998/ex981124.html

Released: November 24, 1998. NORTH AMERICAN BILLING AND COLLECTION, INC. (NBANC) SUBMITS THE NORTH AMERICAN NUMBERING PLAN ADMINISTRATION'S CONTRIBUTION FACTOR AND FUND SIZE FOR MARCH 1999 THROUGH FEBRUARY 2000. The Commission is seeking comment on North American Billing and Collection, Inc.'s contribution factor and fund size estimate for funding the North American Numbering Plan Administrator from March 1999 through February 2000. Comments due December 8; replies December 15. (DA No. 98-2393). Contact: Jared Carlson at (202) 418-2350 TTY: (202) 418-0484. Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Common Carrier/Public Notices/1998/da982393.wp

Released: November 24, 1998. COMMON CARRIER BUREAU INITIATES A PROCEEDING TO CONSIDER THE PETITION OF WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION AND 20 RURAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMPANIES FOR THE PURPOSE OF DISTRIBUTING

PORTABLE FEDERAL UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT. (DA No. 98-2367). Dkt No.: CC- 96-45. Contact: Sumita Mukhoty, Accounting Policy Division at (202) 418-7400; TTY (202) 418-0484.

Report No: AUC-99-24-A. Released: November 24, 1998. PHASE II 220 MHZ SERVICE SPECTRUM AUCTION SCHEDULED FOR JUNE 8, 1999; APPLICATION FILING DEADLINE SET FOR MAY 10, 1999 - COMMENT SOUGHT ON RESERVE PRICES OR MINIMUM OPENING BIDS AND OTHER AUCTION PROCEDURES. The Wireless Telecommunications Bureau is seeking comment on procedural issues relating to Auction No. 24 - Phase II 220 MHz Service Spectrum Auction scheduled for June 8, 1999. Comments due December 16; replies December 23. (DA No. 98-2386). Contact: Christina Clearwater, Ruby Hough or Bob Reagle, Auctions and Industry Analysis Division at (202) 418-0660. Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Wireless/Public Notices/1998/da982386.zip

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REVISIONS TO U S WEST, INC'S COST ALLOCATION MANUAL. Granted U S West an extension of time within which to file replies to the Public Notice in this proceeding. Replies now due December 4. Action by Chief, Accounting Safeguards Division. Adopted: November 24, 1998. by Order. (DA No. 98-2402). CCB Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Common Carrier/Orders/1998/da982402.wp

CENTRUS, LLP, NEW CENTURY-CENTRUS, INC., CINERGY-CENTRUS, INC. AND CINERGY-CENTRUS COMMUNICATIONS, INC. Found that Centrus, LLP, New Century-Centrus, Inc., Cinergy-Centrus, Inc. and Cinergy Centrus Communications, Inc. are exempt telecommunications companies as defined in the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935; granted application of Centrus, LLP, et al for a determination of ETC status. Action by Chief, Network Services Division. by Letter. (DA No. 98-2385). CCB Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Common Carrier/Orders/1998/da982385.wp

1998 BIENNIAL REGULATORY REVIEW - PETITION FOR SECTION 11 BIENNIAL REVIEW FILED BY SBC COMMUNICATIONS, INC., SOUTHWESTERN BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY, PACIFIC BELL, AND NEVADA BELL. The Commission is seeking comment on several proposals submitted by SBC Communications, Inc. in its recently filed Petition for Section 11 Biennial Review. Comments due 30 days after Federal Register publication; replies due 45 days after Federal Register Publication. Dkt No.: CC- 98-177. Adopted: September 23, 1998. (FCC No. 98-238). CCB Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Common Carrier/Notices/1998/fcc98238.wp

SPRINT COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY, L.P. Acted on Sprint Communications Company, L.P.'s request for modification of the Commission's International Settlements Policy to change the settlement rate for switched voice service with Mexico - approved the \$0.19 rate which is to become effective January 1, 2000 and denied Sprint's request for interim rates of \$0.375 effective January 1, 1998 and \$0.345 effective January 1, 1999. Action by Bureau Chief. Adopted: November 24, 1998. by MO&O. (DA No. 98-2401). IB Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/International/Orders/1998/da982401.wp

TELEMEX/SPRINT COMMUNICATIONS, L.L.C. Directed Telmex/Sprint Communications (TSC) to show cause within 30 days why the Bureau should not find that TSC and its affiliate, Telefonos de Mexcio (Telmex), have failed to satisfy the requirements of TSC's Section 214 authorization. Action by Bureau Chief. Adopted: November 24, 1998. by Ord. to Sh. Cause. (DA No. 98-2400). IB Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/International/Orders/1998/da982400.wp

PAPPAS TELECASTING OF SIOUX CITY, A CALIFORNIA LIMITED PARTNERSHIP. Granted the request of Pappas Telecasting of Sioux City, licensee of KPTM(TV), Channel 42, Omaha Nebraska, for a conditional waiver of Section 73.3555(b) of the Commission's rules to permit common ownership of the modified facilities of unbuilt television station KPTH(TV), Channel 44, Sioux City, Iowa and KPTM, subject to the outcome of the

Commission's pending broadcast ownership rulemaking in MM Docket Nos. 91-221 and 87-8. Granted Pappas' application for modification of the construction permit of KPTH(TV). Action by Bureau Chief. Adopted: November 24, 1998. by MO&O. (DA No. 98-2398). MMB Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass Media/Orders/1998/da982398.wp

SHAREHOLDERS OF PULITZER PUBLISHING COMPANY AND HEARST-ARGYLE TELEVISION, INC. Granted the transfer of control applications seeking consent to transfer control of Pulitzer Broadcasting Company, KCCI Television, Inc., WDSU Television, Inc., and WESH Television, Inc., licensees of various stations in AZ, KY, NC, NM, NE, PA, SC (Pulitzer) and in IA (KCCI) and in LA (WDSU) and in FL (WESH), from the shareholders of Pulitzer Publishing Company to Hearst-Argyle Television, Inc. Granted several waivers of the Commission's broadcast multiple ownership Rules to accomplish this multi-station transaction. Denied petition to deny filed by WLOS Licensee, Inc., licensee of WLOS(TV), Asheville, NC, against the transfer of control of WYFF(TV), Greenville, South Carolina. Action by Bureau Chief. Adopted: November 24, 1998. by MO&O. (DA No. 98-2399). MMB Internet URL:

https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass Media/Orders/1998/da982399.wp

MASS MEDIA BUREAU POLICY AND RULES DIVISION - REPORT ON THE EFFECT OF PREEMPTION ON CHILDREN'S EDUCATIONAL AND INFORMATIONAL PROGRAMMING, 1997-1998 TELEVISION SEASON, NOVEMBER 1998. (DA No. 98-2306). MMB Internet URL: https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass Media/Public Notices/da982306.pdf

ADDENDA: The following items, released November 18, 1998, did not appear in Digest No. 222:
NEWS RELEASES
OADCAST APPLICATIONS Report No. 24370 MMB Internet URL:

https://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass Media/Public Notices/Brdcst Applications/pnmm8169.txt